

Australian Volleyball Federation



AFFILIATIONS: AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC FEDERATION. INTERNATIONAL VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION.

ASIAN VOLLEYBALL CONFEDERATION. OCEANIA VOLLEYBALL CONFEDERATION.

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7 November 1977

Mr. R. Kenter,
President V.C.V.C.,
29 Tovell Street
NEWBOROUGH. Vic. 3825

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 1st November received today.

I enclose copies of the A.V.F.Inc. Constitution and By-Laws as requested. I would point out that the By-Laws are being revised in that all matters pertaining to Australian Championships are to be included in the Sports Organising Commission's Handbook. The area marked with pen in the By-Laws have been deleted.

Also, I enclose a copy of the Audited Statement of Receipts and Expenses for last financial year.

Hoping these items are what you wanted.

Yours faithfully,

Robert F. Foot
Hon. Secretary

IN MEMORIAM

Eugene Kolodoczka

1929-1977.

Eugene Kolodoczka, a volleyball official, coach, referee, and a friend to thousands of people connected with volleyball around Australia, died suddenly of a heart attack in Adelaide at the age of 48 years.

Eugene's involvement with the sport in a multitude of administrative capacities spans a period of 22 years going back to 1955 when he became a foundation member of the Ukrainian Sports Club Lion, sponsored by the Adelaide Ukrainian community. Soccer and volleyball were the main activities of the club and he was active in promoting both. The volleyball team entered the then newly formed S.A. Volleyball Association and quickly gained promotion to the First Division, where it proceeded to amass six consecutive State premierships with Gene acting variously as manager, coach and committee member. Holding similar positions on the soccer side of the club he contributed to the teams' quick promotion to the top division, where it has remained ever since.

A few years later he was elected to the Executive Committee of the South Australian Volleyball Association and remained a member until his death, serving in a variety of capacities, including several terms as Vice President and President, his current position being that of Senior Vice President. In 1963 he was one of five persons present at the formation meeting of the Australian Volleyball Federation and was elected Treasurer of the new organisation, a position he held for six years followed by a number of years as Executive Member. In 1973 he was awarded the Life Membership of the South Australian Volleyball Association.

In the coaching field Eugene was continuously active, usually coaching several of his club's teams and showing shrewd tactical sense and ability to assess and exploit the opposition's weakness. Tending to specialise in Women's Volleyball he took over the South Australian women's team after the inaugural titles in 1965 and proceeded to carry the coaches' burden in 1966, 67, 71, 72, 73, 74 and again this year to secure six Australian Titles from seven attempts. In 1974 he was appointed Assistant Coach of the Australian women's team and in this capacity worked for the team on the China and South-East Asia Tour in 1975, 1st Asian Championships in Melbourne, 1975, and the 2nd Oceania Championships in New Zealand, 1976. Earlier this year he was appointed to the top coaching position and was in the process of preparing the team for the World Championships Qualifying Tournament.

In a less glamorous but equally vital role, Eugene has been for many years a leading volleyball referee in this country and since 1972 had the distinction of being one of Australia's few International Referees.

As his personal friend of many years standing, what can I say other than that his loss can never be replaced. Together we have trodden along the path selected many years ago, the path of developing the sport of volleyball in all its facets. Sometimes our views diverged, but the aim was always in sight. There is a void now, which only time can heal.

My own, and the Australian Volleyball Federation membership, deepest sympathy is extended to Eugene's mother, sister, brother-in-law and his beloved nephews who always occupied a special place in his life.

REST IN PEACE DEAR FRIEND, YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN.

W. Lebedew

Memoranda to all Constituent Associations.

Matters For Immediate Attention Please:

1. Proposal for reciprocal visit to Australia by Chinese Teams as part of 1977/78 Cultural Exchange Package:

At the A.V.F.Inc. executive meeting, 28th August, 1976, it was agreed that the A.V.F.Inc. would put to the Federal Government a definite proposal and plan for the hosting of a reciprocal visit to Australia of Womens and Mens Teams from the Peoples' Republic of China. At the meeting stated, all state delegations gave an opinion that each would wish to entertain a visit of the said teams should a visit eventuate.

It was further agreed at the meeting that all states be requested to submit an outline of proposed itinerary, match dates, venues, costs, accomodation arrangements, travel arrangements, publicity, etc. bearing in mind that a proposal from the A.V.F.Inc. will be submitted to the Federal Government following all states submitting their proposals.

The date considered for the proposed reciprocal visit to Australia by Chinese Teams was OCTOBER 1977.

CLOSING DATE FOR PROPOSALS: All Constituent Associations are requested to prepare submissions giving data as mentioned above as well as including other matters deemed important which will assist to vindicate the full proposal to be put forward by this Federation. Items including possible T.V. coverage, sponsorship possibilities, etc., should also be included where appropriate.

Submissions: Submissions are to be in the hands of the A.V.F.Inc. Hon. Secretary, P.O. Box 56, Garran A.C.T. 2605 by FRIDAY 19th NOVEMBER.

Following submissions being received, it is envisaged that the immediate executive of the federation will meet to prepare a full submission which will thereafter be forwarded to the Federal Government.

Constituent Associations are requested to give this matter their immediate consideration and that appropriate action be taken to ensure that submissions reach the Hon. Secretary by the Closing date for receipt of same:- FRIDAY 19th NOV.

2. A ppointment of State Publicity Officer/Reporter:

Each Constituent Association is requested to appoint a State Publicity Officer/Reporter. The responsibility of this appointed person will be to provide the Editor of the Volleyball Journal, published by the South Australian Volleyball Association Inc. with news relating to matters of local, state and international matters, feature articles on personalities in the sport, competitions results, championships results and any other material deemed appropriate for inclusion in the journal which now enjoys nationwide coverage.

It is requested that following each state appointing the State Publicity Officer that this persons name, address, phone number, be made known in writing to the Editor, Mr. W. Lebedew, 3 Owen Avenue, Blair Athol. S.A. 5084, with immediate affect.

3. A.V.F.Inc. Instructional Film: This federation purchased a 3 reel instructional film from the Japan Volleyball Association in 1968. Whilst the film has undergone considerable use since the date of purchase, it is still quite usable and is of valuable assistance for use in coaching clinics as well as having an entertainment value. The film is available to constituent associations for hire at a cost of \$5.00 per. loan. It is available from the Hon. Secretary of A.V.F., P.O. Box 56, Garran A.C.T. 2605. Conditions for hire are as follows:

- a. Priority given to applications, as received.
- b. Fee of \$5.00 to accompany application for hire.
- c. Air Freight charges to hirers to be met by hirers.
- d. Film must be returned to A.V.F. Secretary by Air Freight at hirer's expense.
- e. Maximum period for hire- 4 weeks.
- f. ~~Damage~~ Damage to film must be reported on slip enclosed. Indiscriminate damage caused by ill-use will cause the hirer to be charged for repair.

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Hon. Secretary

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

M e m o r a n d u m

Subject: Australian Club Championships for Men and Women

The Australian Club Championships 1977 will be held during the Queen's Birthday weekend 11th to 13th June 1977 at the Sturt College of Advanced Education, Sturt Road, Bedford Park.

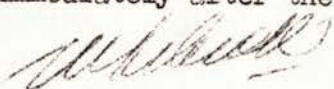
To save time, several copies of this memorandum are enclosed and addressed to all State presidents and secretaries. Association secretaries are requested to pass on this invitation to clubs eligible to participate. Since it is extremely unlikely that all States will be represented by their champion clubs, and reasonable numbers are essential to make the tournament viable, the S.A.V.B.A. will follow precedent by accepting more than one nomination from a State if it is warranted, however every nomination must be endorsed by the State secretary.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS MAY 10TH and for obvious administrative reasons there will be definitely no extensions of time. If insufficient nominations are received by that time, the tournament will be cancelled and all interested parties informed immediately. Interested clubs are urged to cooperate in this regard to prevent unnecessary complications for organisers and participants.

You are reminded that according to A.V.F. By-Laws all competing players must be registered with their respective clubs and their Australian Championships Registration Forms must be lodged with the A.V.F. Records Secretary (R. Rutter, 32 Wrightson Avenue, Newcastle, 2300).

Please complete the Nomination Form at the bottom of this page and send to the S.A.V.B.A. Secretary, W. Lebedew, 3 Owen Avenue, BLAIR ATHOL, 5083, together with the nomination fee of \$10 per team.

Participating clubs are asked to be prepared to submit names and brief histories of players, current standing on the respective premierships tables and a short history of club achievements immediately after the deadline.



/W. Lebedew/
SECRETARY

20th April 1977

AUSTRALIAN VOLLEYBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

N o m i n a t i o n F o r m

I, wish to nominate
the men's - women's team/teams of the

Volleyball Club.

Date:

Signed

Address

Endorsement by State
Secretary